



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 858

LCO No. 3936



Referred to Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

Introduced by:
(PH)

***AN ACT CONCERNING THE PROPHYLACTIC TREATMENT OF
MINORS FOR SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASES.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 19a-216 of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
3 *1, 2019*):

4 (a) Any municipal health department, state institution or facility,
5 licensed physician or public or private hospital or clinic, may examine
6 or provide treatment, including prophylactic treatment, for sexually
7 transmitted disease for a minor, if the physician or facility is qualified
8 to provide such examination or treatment. The consent of the parents
9 or guardian of the minor shall not be a prerequisite to the examination
10 or treatment. The physician in charge or other appropriate authority of
11 the facility or the licensed physician concerned shall prescribe an
12 appropriate course of treatment for the minor. The fact of consultation,
13 examination or treatment of a minor under the provisions of this
14 section shall be confidential and shall not be divulged by the facility or
15 physician, including the sending of a bill for the services to any person

16 other than the minor, except for purposes of reports under section 19a-
17 215, and except that, if the minor is not more than twelve years of age,
18 the facility or physician shall report the name, age and address of that
19 minor to the Commissioner of Children and Families or the
20 commissioner's designee who shall proceed thereon as in reports
21 under section 17a-101g. As used in this subsection, "prophylactic"
22 means a medicine or course of action used to prevent disease.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2019</i>	19a-216(a)

Statement of Purpose:

To permit prophylactic treatment of minors for sexually transmitted diseases without the consent of a parent or guardian.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]